

## BUD BALLEW IS KILLED BY TEXAS MAN; WICHITA OFFICER DROPS EX-DEPUTY

### PEKING FALLS TO CENTRAL CHINA FACTIONS FRIDAY

Troops of Manchurian leaders flee when city is surrounded; Casualties between 5,000 and 7,000; Stores are lost.

Chang and Troops Scatter When Wu Presses Him Hard

(By The Associated Press)  
PEKING.—General Wu Pei-fu was in control of Peking at noon today, and General Chang Tso-Lin, whose forces he routed yesterday in a fierce battle south of the capital, was reported fleeing to Mukden. Chang's army is retreating in disorder toward Tien Tsin.

Observers here believe Chang's sudden collapse has ended the hostilities. With 50,000 troops, General Wu Pei-fu, encircled Chang Tso-Lin's forces outside Peking and after 16 hours of relentless cannonading, machine fire and infantry charges routed his opponent, making himself master of the situation around the Chinese capital.

Last night Wu's forces camped unmolested outside the city gate while Chang's soldiers were scattered, having retired with the main body down the railroad toward Tien Tsin or disappeared in unorganized mobs over the hills.

Stores Left Behind.  
The routed army left behind artillery, munitions, horses and loaded camels and its wounded and dead. The total casualties in the day's fighting are believed to have reached from 5,000 to 7,000 dead and wounded.

Wu Pei-fu's attack in this sector is believed to have been undertaken concurrently with similar drives at Machang on Chang Tso-Lin's southeastern front, and also on his middle front on the Hun river. Consular reports indicated that the fighting at those places was intense. No details were received but it was reported that Chang Tso-Lin's army was forced to retire.

Strong Guard Maintained.  
Peking last night slept behind guarded walls. The gates were closed and barred and patrols of soldiers paced to and fro all night with fixed bayonets. Only persons bound on official business were permitted to the place. Railroad communication in all directions has been suspended.

Last night crowds of soldiers from Chang's defeated army gathered outside the walls of Peking, clamoring for admittance. At the southwest gate, where a locomotive in an attempt to ram down the gate, but failed. City guards were sent out to disarm the stragglers.

Two thousand of Chang Tso-Lin's soldiers permanently kept in Peking were disarmed, under orders from Wu Pei-fu. This is regarded as eliminating Chang Tso-Lin's authority in the capital. Outside the walls some of Chang's Manchurian soldiers refused to surrender and were fired upon. Sixteen hundred of these troops were captured.

### PLANE USED IN HUNT FOR SLAYER

School Girl Dragged From Horse and Body Mutilated, While She Was Returning Home.

TEAGUE, Texas.—Large posse, aided by an airplane were searching Freestone and Limestone counties today for the slayer of Eula King, 17 year old granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John King. The girl's mutilated body was found late yesterday between her home and Kirwin, where she attended school. Her horse grazed nearby. There were evidences of a struggle at a place where it is supposed she was dragged from the horse, which she rode.

Bitterness against her slayer was expressed by members of the posse. An axe, with which she had been struck, was found stuck in a tree near the body. Miss King was a popular student at the Kirwin school. Reports of her death last night gave her name as Ousley. She lived with her grandparents.

### MIXED COMMISSION MAY SETTLE ALL AMERICAN CLAIMS AGAINST GERMANY

WASHINGTON.—Negotiations are under way between the United States and Germany, it is said in official circles, looking to the organization of the mixed claims commission which will pass upon claims growing out of the seizure of property in the United States and Germany and upon claims filed with the United States government by American citizens as a result of the sinking of the Lusitania.

The commission probably will consist of three members, one American, one German and a neutral.



General Chang Tso-Lin, governor of Manchuria, who was leading troops against General Wu Pei-fu, chief of central Chinese military forces, and defending Peking. When Wu's troops surrounded the city, Chang and his followers fled.

### AMERICANS PAY OIL TAX THREE TIMES MONTHLY

Mexican Ruling is Benefit to Companies Who Find it Hard to Raise Huge Sum Gold.

MEXICO CITY.—The oil production taxes will be paid by operating companies three times monthly instead of once each month, under an order issued by Secretary of the Treasury de la Huerta. Thirty per cent of the tax will be paid on the tenth day of each month, an additional 30 per cent on the 20th and 40 per cent on the 25th.

The order was issued at the request of the companies, which have experienced inconvenience, it is said, in collecting sufficient gold on the dates hitherto designated. The export taxes are not affected.

To Conserve Pool.  
NEW YORK.—Edward L. Doheny, president of the Mexican Petroleum Company, while in Mexico City in connection with the conference held between officials of American oil companies and representatives of the Mexican government, arranged for an agreement between his company, the Mexican Gulf company and the Mexican Seaboard company, to conserve the production of the Tocco Cerro-Azul pool.

At a London wedding a lady recently appeared as "best man" in support of the bridegroom.

### THREE DEAD AS POSSE BATTLES WITH BANDITS

Gunmen Kidnap Canton Policemen During Attempt to Release Confederate.

### LINEMAN LEADS IN PURSUIT OF MEN

Course of Escape is Given by Man Who Climbed Poles and Cut in on Wires.

CANTO, Ohio.—Three men dead and two bandits were dying early today as the result of a gun battle in the woods five miles north of here Friday between an armed posse and four gunmen found after kidnapping a motorcycle policeman who had arrested the men for speeding.

Two others of the posse were also shot.

The gunmen, police say, had come here in an automobile to assist in the release of "Oklahoma Slim" John Stevenson, a member of their gang, who is in the local workhouse and who is wanted, it is said, in numerous middle-western cities on charges of bank robbery.

Policeman Captured.

When the gunmen were arrested by motorcycle policeman John Wise, they forced him to enter their automobile and drive to the woods, where they bound, gagged and tied the officer to a tree.

J. C. Campbell, a telephone lineman who witnessed the kidnapping, notified the police, then jumped into his automobile and followed the gunmen. Several times he stopped, climbed a telephone pole, cut in on a wire with his cutting apparatus and notified the officers of the course of the fugitives.

As the officers neared the bandits, the latter opened fire and fled to the woods where they were surrounded by police and scores of citizens. The battle ensued.

When the fire from the gangsters stopped, the posse found all four sprawled on the ground, the unidentified man dead.

Stevenson died later from his wounds.

### BURGLAR KILLED WHILE AT SCENE

Officers Laid in Waiting for Three Men; Four Boys Are Held for Investigation.

OKLAHOMA CITY.—One of three men who early today attempted to burglarize a store at Choctaw, 14 miles east of here, was shot and killed by deputy sheriffs who had tipped off the proposed robbery and were lying in wait for the intruders. The dead man has been identified by local authorities as Frank Smith, alias Frank Jones. His two companions escaped.

Four young boys who were found in a motor truck near the scene of the attempted robbery, were detained for investigation.

### FLASHES

CHICAGO, Ill.—An open court investigation into alleged irregularities in the office of District Attorney Charles F. Cline will be held May 9, it was announced today by Federal Judge George A. Carpenter.

LONDON.—Ronald True, former major in the British aviation service, on trial for the killing of Gertrude Yates, was found guilty this evening of wilful murder and sentenced to death.

NEW YORK.—For the third time this year, exchange rates on London rose today to \$14.41, for demand bills, equaling the highest price since 1919. The strength was attributed to extensive buying of bills here and in London, to meet cotton and grain payments.

OKLAHOMA CITY.—After fixing permanent valuations for 1922 on many public service corporations in the state, the state board of equalization adjourned today until May 15. Valuation of railroad property will be taken up by the board on May 26, it was announced.

GENOA.—The economic conference today expected to end its deliberations on financial, economic questions. The sub-committee on economies was expected during the day to make its report to the full commission, which will probably approve it. This will leave the main body of the conference to deal with political problems. George of Great Britain but there was optimism today over their possible solution.

### Officer Beats Him To Gun And Fires Bullets Into Brain

Row in Domino Parlor Leads to Death; Fight Follows and Former Carter County Deputy Sheriff Is Shot Through Body.

WICHITA FALLS, Texas.—Former Deputy Sheriff Bud Ballew of Carter county, Oklahoma, was shot and killed here this afternoon, five shots being fired, one of which took effect in the head, causing instant death. Former State Ranger J. W. McCormick, now chief of police, surrendered to Captain Nickman of the Ranger force.

Two pistols were found on Ballew's body, one a 45-calibre Colt, silver mounted and engraved, with what appeared to be six notches cut under the barrel. The other was an unadorned 44-calibre.

Attorneys for McCormick waived an examining trial and his bond was set at \$10,000. Numerous citizens volunteered to sign the bond and 15 names were affixed and McCormick was released.

Developments brought out at the court house alleged that McCormick had gone to the Domino Parlor on Ohio avenue with Chief of Detectives Miller in response to a call that a disturbance was in progress. He found Ballew standing near the bar, it was stated.

"I walked up to Ballew," said McCormick, "and said, 'Bud, you are under arrest, give me your gun.' He did not make a move and I said, 'Put up your hands and I will get it myself.'"

"He half turned around and said: 'You're just out of luck. Then he reached for his gun on his left side. I beat him to it and shot.'"

Bud Ballew was born in Fannin county, Texas, in 1877, and came to the Indian Territory when 14 years old. During his early life he was engaged in the cattle business.

His first experience as a law officer was in special service under Buck Garrett. In 1912, he received an appointment as deputy sheriff under Garrett and served in that capacity until recently, resigning with other members of Garrett's force when Garrett was removed by ouster proceedings.

On April 17, 1901, Ballew married Miss Fannie Harper. He is also survived by a son, aged 19.

During his service as an officer, Ballew continued to take a great interest in stock, and owned a fine herd of good grade cattle on a ranch near Lone Grove, Oklahoma. He was a breeder of Durham cattle.

During his service as an officer, Ballew engaged in half dozen or more gun battles with men whom he was attempting to arrest, in several of which fatalities resulted. One of the scrapes occurred in the oil field district with an alleged outlaw named Pete Bynum, and resultant of which Ballew was shot in the stomach and Bynum killed. Ballew had entered the place while Bynum is said to have been staging a holdup.

A scrape between Ballew and a man named Highnote also staged in the oil field district resulted in Highnote's death, with the allegation being that Highnote had refused to surrender a deputy sheriff's commission which he held and which Ballew had been sent to take from him. Highnote was alleged to have refused to give it up when called upon.

Ballew saved Buck Garrett's life during one of the skirmishes which the two men had with holdup men. It occurred when the two had gone after two men, known as Charlie Thomas and Arthur Mills, who had held up Jim Talliaferro and several others on the night of April 13, 1919. Garrett had located the men and was engaged in a deadlock with one of them when Ballew drove up and killed the second bandit who was about to shoot Garrett.

It was only recently that Ballew had been able to get about ably, having been wounded several months ago when he was shot during the skirmish in the office of the county attorney here and during which several other ex-deputies and deputies were wounded.

### TWO MORE SMALL JURORS REMOVED

One of Them Talked About Governor and Second Offered to Take Place of Challenged Man.

(By The Associated Press)

WAUKESHA, Wis.—Two jurors for the trial of Governor Len Small, one of them already selected and sworn, the other tentatively accepted by both sides, were peremptorily challenged and removed today following charges by the defense that one of them had discussed the case in the jury room. The state challenged the other when he was tendered by the defense to replace the first man.

The ill feeling and grave rumors of something wrong with the jury have been simmering under the surface for days boiled over this morning in a spectacular outburst of verbal fireworks.

The outburst followed the attempt to reopen one of the panels already sworn and removed. Charles Melville, The motion was accompanied by two affidavits from men who spent one night in the jury room in which they told of an alleged statement reflecting on the governor which Melville was said to have made.

### HAYAKAWA MUST NOT BE SATISFIED WITH HIS SALARY

LOS ANGELES.—Sessue Hayakawa, Japanese motion picture actor, has brought suit against the R. C. Pictures Corporation, headed by Rufus Cole, for \$22,000, charging breach of contract. It was learned yesterday.

### HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

KUNL BOB LOW DEYS A  
HEAP O' SUFFERIN' GWINE  
ON DESE HAND TIMES, EN  
DEY SHO IS---SOME  
FOLKS JES' CAIN'T GIT  
USETER GWINE 'DOUT  
SILK SHIRTS EN AUTOMOBILS.



### My Opinion Is

Every day The Ardmoreite questions five persons on a subject of general interest. The answers are published with the names of those interviewed.

What do you think of carnivals?

W. R. BURNETT: A circus is the great American pastime and I am very much in favor of them. However, I rarely go to carnivals myself.

R. S. HAYDEN: I think a good circus is just as beneficial, in an educational way and for amusement, as a good picture show is and I always enjoy them.

DR. J. C. McNEESE: I am not in favor of carnivals. (I don't think they are helpful to a community.)

W. R. PARDEE: If a carnival is run properly it is alright.

R. C. PETTY: There are some few objectionable features of a carnival but on the whole it is alright.

### MILLION DOLLAR COTTON CROP IS RUINED BY FLOOD

Relief is Rushed in Boats to Louisiana Points; River Continues to Rise Slowly.

BATON ROUGE, La.—Destruction of 200,000 acres of growing cotton valued at over a million dollars has been caused by flood waters from the Concordia Parish crevasse, it was estimated today by Harry M. Wilson, state commissioner of agriculture. Farmers in the district will have to put in a new crop this year, he said, because the water will recede too late for replanting a cotton crop.

Waste Is Increased.

NEW ORLEANS, La.—The number of refugees and others needing assistance in the flooded areas of Louisiana and Mississippi increased today as the waters from the Mississippi river and tributaries continued to spread over vast sections. A case of typhoid fever in one of the large refugee camps at Harrisburg, La., complicated matters there and physicians were busy today inoculating every person in the two colonies against the disease.

Relief efforts also were under way today at Pointe-a-Hache, south of New Orleans which was reached yesterday by water. A large pleasure boat has been pressed into service to go down the river in search of flood sufferers in that section. About 300 already are being cared for in a Red Cross camp at Jackson Barracks here.

The congressional party inspecting flood conditions was en route this morning from Natchez, Miss., to Baton Rouge, La. Their trip will end at New Orleans. Many of them have expressed sympathy with the proposed placing of all levee maintenance under federal control.

### Garrett Appeals Case to Supreme Court for Trial

Although his motion for a new trial was denied by the court, Buck Garrett, ousted sheriff, was notified that he would have to pay only a part of the expenses of the trial by Judge E. D. Oldfield of Oklahoma county, sitting as a special judge here Thursday.

In a former ruling from the attorney general it was stated that the defense would have to bear the full cost of the trial. In the ruling of Judge Oldfield, he will have to pay only his part of it, the state bearing the other part. It is expected that the entire proceedings will reach more than \$2,000.

After the motion to set aside the verdict and grant new trial was overruled, attorneys for the defense gave notice of appeal to the supreme court.

### HUGH WEST TO BE BIG "GUN" AT BIG GUN CLUB SHOOT HERE ON MAY 15-17

Work on the grounds of the local traps, where it is expected will be held the largest attended state meeting of the Oklahoma Sportsmen's association, May 15-17, is practically completed, four new traps are finished, sheds are arranged, and all final details are being rounded up for the big event.

Hugh West, secretary of the state organization, will be in charge of the meet and "from his words there is no appeal." This slogan has been adopted by Mr. West's friends on account of his well known loquaciousness, and they expect no mercy from him.

Among state professionals who will be here are J. W. Keating, P. D. Watson, Hank Donnelly and J. M. Sullivan.

### STORM DAMAGE ESTIMATED AT HALF MILLION

Half-Score Known Dead and Fifty Are Injured; Relief Given at Hospitals and Homes.

### TWISTER SPLITS AND CIRCLES AT AUSTIN

Greatest Damage Done to St. Edwards College and State Negro School.

AUSTIN, Texas.—Active relief work for those needing assistance because of the tornadoes near Austin and at Oak Hill and Manchita late yesterday began this morning. The death toll remained at twelve and about fifty persons were reported injured. Thirty-eight persons received hospital treatment and twelve were given aid in private residences. Property damage was estimated at \$500,000. Two separate windstorms, one east of Austin and the other striking the western limits, were responsible for the damage, according to eye witnesses today. Father J. Allen Paychior of St. Louis College, said he saw the two storms approach and come together just before reaching the vicinity of the school.

Among the damaged places were St. Edwards' college dormitory and gymnasium and the laundry at the negro deaf, dumb and blind school. Several residences in Travis Heights were demolished but the occupants were uninjured.

### MANY DOCTORS COMING TO MEET HERE TUESDAY

Oklahoma City Physician is On Program of Carter County Medical Society.

Physicians from over southern Oklahoma, including those residing in Love, Garvin, Johnston, Murray, Jefferson and other adjoining counties, are expected to be in Ardmore Tuesday night at the meeting of the Carter County Medical Association, to be held in the county court room beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Dr. Edwin de Barr of Oklahoma City will be the principal speaker. Others of special interest to all physicians is being arranged and it is anticipated that at least 200 physicians will be in attendance.

Following the outlined program, matters relative to the erection of a Carter county hospital, will be discussed.

### Arson Charge Filed Against Rev. Irwin at Lawton Today

LAWTON, Okla.—Information charging arson were filed in justice court here this afternoon against the Rev. Thomas J. Irwin, who has resigned as pastor of the First Presbyterian church here, and M. C. Lewis, a member of the church board of sessions which resigned. The charges followed an investigation conducted by the county attorney into alleged incendiary fires which have occurred at the church on several occasions.

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